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1. Troop strength of the 21 military districts of the USSR:

Arkhangel MD

Headquarters: Arkhangel  
Commander: Lt. Gen. Shcherbakov (April 1948)  
1 corps  
1 division

White Sea MD

Headquarters: Petrozavodsk  
Commander: Col. Gen. Shumilov  
1 army  
1 corps  
6-7 divisions

Leningrad MD

Headquarters: Leningrad  
Commander: Col. Gen. D. N. Gusev  
1 army  
1 corps  
9-10 divisions

Baltic MD

Headquarters: Riga  
Commander: Army Gen. I. Kh. Bagramyan  
2 armies  
4 corps  
9-10 divisions

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**Belorussian MD**

Headquarters: Minsk  
Commander: Col. Gen. S. G. Trofimenko  
1 army  
2 corps  
8-9 divisions

**Carpathian MD**

Headquarters: Lvov  
Commander: Col. Gen. K. Galitski  
1 army  
3 corps  
8-9 divisions

**Odessa MD**

Headquarters: Odessa  
Commander: Col. Gen. M. Pukhov (June 1949)  
1 army  
2 corps  
6 divisions

**Tauric MD**

Headquarters: Simferopol  
Commander: Col. Gen. Popov  
1 corps  
2 divisions

**Kiev MD**

Headquarters: Kiev  
Commander: Col. Gen. A. A. Grechko  
1 army  
2 corps  
9-10 divisions

**Moscow MD**

Headquarters: Moscow  
Commander: Marshal K. Meretskov  
1 army  
3 corps  
8-9 divisions

**Transcaucasus MD**

Headquarters: Tbilisi  
Commander: Army Gen. Kurasov\*  
3 armies  
17-18 divisions

**North Caucasus MD**

Headquarters: Rostov  
Commander: Col. Gen. Belov or Col. Gen. Romanovski  
1 corps  
4-5 divisions

**Volga MD**

Headquarters: Knibyshev  
Commander: Col. Gen. Yuchkevich  
1 corps  
4-5 divisions

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**Turkestan MD**

Headquarters: Tashkent  
Commander: Army Gen. Petrov  
1 army  
2 corps  
4-5 divisions

**South Ural MD**

Headquarters: Chkalov  
1 corps  
2 divisions

**Ural MD**

Headquarters: Sverdlovsk  
Commander: Col. Gen. F. I. Kuznetsov  
1 corps  
2 divisions

**West Siberian MD**

Headquarters: Novosibirsk  
Commander: Army Gen. Yerezenko  
1 corps  
3 divisions

**East Siberian MD**

Headquarters: Irkutsk or Yakutsk  
Commander: Army Gen. Zakharov

**Transbaikalian MD**

Headquarters: Chita  
Commander: Col. Gen. Korotev (March 1948)

-- 16-17 divisions

**Far East MD**

Headquarters: Khabarovsk  
Commander: Gen. Porkaiyev\*\*

-- 10-11 divisions

**Maritime MD**

Headquarters: Voroshilov  
Commander: Col. Gen. Biryuzov

TOTAL: 128 to 141 divisions, not counting units stationed in the occupied areas of Europe.

**2. Probable operational regroupment of forces:**

Army of the West (European Russia)

Headquarters: probably Minsk  
Commander: probably Marshal S. Timoshenko  
Components:

Arkhangelsk MD	1 division	15,000 men	) Probably regrouped under the Northern Command
White Sea MD	6-7 divisions	75,000 men	

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**Northern Group of Forces (Baltic Sea)**

Headquarters: probably Kaliningrad  
 Leningrad MD 9-10 divisions 130,000 men ) 18-20 divisions  
 Baltic MD 9-10 divisions 135,000 men ) 265,000 men

**Central Group of Forces**

Headquarters: Minsk  
 Belorussian MD 8-9 divisions 120,000 men )  
 Carpathian MD 8-9 divisions 120,000 men ) 20-22 divisions  
 Troops in Austria, Hungary, ) 305,000 men  
 Czechoslovakia 4 divisions 65,000 men )  
 (including one AAA division)

**Southern Group of Forces**

Headquarters: Odessa  
 Odessa MD 6 divisions 85,000 men )  
 Tauric MD 2 divisions 25,000 men ) 20-21 divisions  
 Kiev MD 9-10 divisions 130,000 men ) 270,000 men  
 Troops in Rumania 3 divisions 40,000 men )  
 (including one AAA division)  
 Elements in Albania & Bulgaria

**Group of Occupation Forces in Germany and Poland**

Headquarters: probably Leczyca (north of Lodz)  
 Commander: Marshal Rokossovski  
 Troops in Germany 26 divisions 350,000 men )  
 (including 2 artillery and 1 AAA divisions) ) 29-32 divisions  
 Troops in Poland 3-6 divisions 60,000 men ) 410,000 men

Moscow MD (probably reserve for Army of the West)  
 8-9 divisions 120,000 men

**Army of the Middle East**

Commander: Marshal Tolbukhin\*\*\*  
 Transcaucasus MD 17-18 divisions 300,000 men )  
 North Caucasus MD 4-5 divisions 70,000 men ) 25-28 divisions  
 Turkestan MD 4-5 divisions 70,000 men ) 440,000 men

**Army of the East and the Far East**

Headquarters: Chita  
 Commander: Marshal Malinovski  
 West Siberian MD 3 divisions 40,000 men )  
 East Siberian MD ) 16-17 divisions 260,000 men ) 29-31 divisions  
 Transbaikal MD )  
 Far East-Amur MD ) 10-11 divisions 150,000 men ) 450,000 men  
 Maritime MD )

**General reserve**

Headquarters: Chkalov  
 Commander: Marshal Zhukov  
 Volga MD 4-5 divisions )  
 Ural MD 2 divisions ) 8-9 divisions  
 South Ural MD 2 divisions ) 120,000 men

TOTAL:\*\*\*\* Men 2,470,000  
 Divisions (exclusive  
 of artillery and AAA) 157-173

Composed of approximately:  
 Infantry divisions 40-65  
 Motorized infantry divisions 50  
 Mechanized divisions 30  
 Armored divisions 30  
 Cavalry divisions 7-8

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3. Estimate of forces located outside the USSR:

Country	Men	Motor. Inf Div	Mech Div	Armored Div	Arty Div	AAA Div
Germany	350,000	4	10	8	2 @	2 @
Austria-Hungary	65,000	1	2	-	-	1
Rumania	40,000	-	1	1	-	1
Poland	60,000	1-2	1-2	1-2	-	-
Czechoslovakia )						
Bulgaria )--	9,000	-	-	-	-	-
Albania )						
	524,000	6-7	14-15	10-11	2	4
		30-33				

@Inferred on the basis of the supposition that six armies would normally carry a total of six artillery divisions.

4. Chief of the Political Administration of the Armed Forces:

Col. Gen. F. F. Kuznetsov - Chief of the Main Administration  
 Lt. Gen. S. S. Shatilov - Vice Chief  
 Vice Adm. A. A. Nikolaiyev\*\*\* - Vice Chief  
 Lt. Gen. V. E. Makarov - Vice Chief  
 Lt. Gen. M. M. Pronin - Vice Chief

Political Administration of Land Forces

Lt. Gen. S. F. Galatsev - Chief of the Political Administration  
 Maj. Gen. V. V. Danilov - Vice Chief

Political Administration of Naval Forces

Maj. Gen. A. A. Muraviyev - Chief  
 Vice Adm. N. M. Kulakov - Vice Chief

Political Administration of Air Forces

Lt. Gen. Lukashin - Chief  
 Lt. Gen. V. Ya. Klovov - Vice Chief

Comments:

\*Although not previously reported, this assignment of Kurasov seems possible. Kurasov, former Soviet High Commissioner in Austria, returned to Moscow for reassignment in May 1949. In June 1949, Army Gen. Antonov signed an article as acting commander of troops in the Transcaucasus MD, indicating the illness or incapacity of Tolbukhin, former CO of the Transcaucasus MD who died recently.

\*\*Reportedly replaced in June 1948.

\*\*\*Died since date of information of this report.

\*\*\*\*As received. The figures in the breakdown total 157 - 183 divisions while the divisions listed in paras. 1 and 3 total 164 - 180. The figures in para. 2 total 2,350,000 men and 156 - 171 divisions.

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